

Amendment

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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) In the process of protecting cement and/or concrete surfaces from pitting during production of a defined shape that has been determined by a form by preventing adherence, a form release coating composition is applied to the form surfaces in an amount sufficient to form a coating thereon which prevents adherence of material to the form, the improvement comprising applying to the form surfaces a form release coating composition consisting essentially of a from about 90% to 10% by weight vegetable oil, a viscosity reducer selected from the group consisting of from about 10% to 90% by weight mineral seal oil, alcohol and mixtures thereof; and optionally alcohol and/or a fatty acid.
2. (Canceled)
3. (Original) The process of claim 1 wherein the vegetable oil is selected from the group consisting of corn oil, sesame oil, rapeseed oil, sunflower oil, palm oil, olive oil, coconut oil, peanut oil, soybean oil, canola oil and mixtures thereof.
4. (Original) The process of claim 3 wherein the vegetable oil comprises corn oil.
5. (Canceled)
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9. (Currently amended) The method of claim 8 1 wherein said form release coating composition comprises approximately equal parts vegetable oil and mineral seal oil.
10. (Previously presented) The method of claim 9 wherein said form release composition contains from 1 to 10% oleic acid.
11. (Original) The method of claim 10 wherein said vegetable oil comprises corn oil.
12. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1 wherein said release coating composition has a viscosity of between about 10 and 100 cps at 25° C.
13. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein said vegetable oil is an unrefined vegetable oil.
14. (Original) The method of claim 13 wherein said unrefined vegetable oil is unrefined corn oil.
15. (Currently Amended) A method for facilitating release of concrete and/or cement from a form or mold surface comprising applying to the form or mold surface an effective amount of a biodegradable form release coating composition, wherein said biodegradable form release coating composition consists essentially of at least about 50% vegetable oil by weight; a ~~viscosity reducer selected from the group consisting of alcohol, petroleum oil, and mixtures thereof~~, and optionally alcohol and/or a fatty acid.
16. (Original) The method of claim 15 wherein said form release coating composition has a volatile organic compound (VOC) content of less than 3.8 lbs/gal as measured by EPA method 24.
17. (Original) The method of claim 15 wherein the vegetable oil is selected from the group consisting of corn oil, sesame oil, rapeseed oil, sunflower oil, palm oil, olive oil, coconut oil, peanut oil, soybean oil, canola oil and mixtures thereof.
18. (Original) The method of claim 17 wherein the vegetable oil comprises corn oil.

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19. (Canceled)
20. (Canceled)
21. (Canceled)
22. (Canceled)
23. (Canceled)
24. (Canceled)
25. (Previously presented) The method of claim 15 wherein said release coating composition has a viscosity of between about 10 and 100 cps at 25° C.
26. (Original) The method of claim 15 wherein said vegetable oil is an unrefined vegetable oil.
27. (Original) The method of claim 26 wherein said unrefined vegetable oil is unrefined corn oil.
28. (Original) The method of claim 15 wherein said form release composition emits less than 4.0 mg benzene per gram of the composition.
29. (New) The method of claim 1 wherein said form release coating composition contains from about 0.5% to 10% by weight alcohol.
30. (New) The method of claim 29 wherein the alcohol is selected from the group consisting of ethanol, propanol, butanol, and mixtures thereof.
31. (New) The method of claim 15 wherein said form release coating composition contains from about 0.5% to 10% by weight alcohol.

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32. (New) The method of claim 31 wherein the alcohol is selected from the group consisting of ethanol, propanol, butanol, and mixtures thereof.